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## NEW MASS AND CONFESSION TIMES!

**CONFESSION | MONDAY AT 11 AM**

**MASS | MONDAY AT 12:15 AM**

# BENEDICT XVI

## Twenty-first World Day of the Sick

**Monday, February 11, 2013**

The Gospel parable recounted by Saint Luke is part of a series of scenes and events taken from daily life by which Jesus helps us to understand the deep love of God for every human being, especially those afflicted by sickness or pain. With the concluding words of the parable of the Good Samaritan, “Go and do likewise” (Lk 10:37), the Lord also indicates the attitude that each of his disciples should have towards others, especially those in need. We need to draw from the infinite love of God, through an intense relationship with him in prayer, the strength to live day by day with concrete concern, like that of the Good Samaritan, for those suffering in body and spirit who ask for our help, whether or not we know them and however poor they may be. This is true, not only for pastoral or health care workers, but for everyone, even for the sick themselves, who can experience this condition from a perspective of faith: “It is not by sidestepping or fleeing from suffering that we are healed, but rather by our capacity for accepting it, maturing through it and finding meaning through union with Christ, who suffered with infinite love” (Spe Salvi, 37).

### MASS TIMES

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| Monday | 12:15PM |
| Tuesday | 6:00 PM |
| Wednesday | 8:00 AM |
| Thursday | 8:00 AM |
| Friday | 12:15 PM |
| Saturday | 8:00 AM |
| | 5:00 PM |
| Sunday | 9:00 AM |
| | 11:00 AM |

9:00 AM Mass Livestreamed here

Recitation of the Rosary is held after daily Mass, Wednesday through Saturday.

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

In Adoration Chapel

Tuesday 10:00 AM -5:45 PM
Wednesday 9:00 AM -9:00 PM
Friday 12::00 PM-5:00 PM

### ALL NIGHT ADORATION

First Friday of the Month
Friday-1:00 PM through
Saturday 7:45 AM

### CONFESSION

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| Monday | 11:00 AM |
| Tuesday | 6:30 PM |
| Friday | 11:00 AM |
| Saturday | 3:30 PM |

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# JULY TESTIMONY

## *Avery Bradley* — FOOD PANTRY COORDINATOR

I was raised in small Catholic family right here in Ypsilanti. We are all parishioners here at St. John the Baptist. Growing up, my parents sent me and my brother to Huron Valley Catholic School and then to Father Gabriel Richard High-School. It was through going to these schools that the foundation for my faith was laid and that I felt the Lord really began to stir up a desire to serve, although it wasn't until later that I really began to explore what serving the Lord really means.

While attending Huron Valley, I started altar serving, and I always enjoyed being able to help Father in that way. When I was in high-school I started to have a better understanding as to why this was the case, I realized that I enjoyed altar serving because it allowed me to finally be able to do something for God, even if that thing is relatively small, it still is a great gift being able to give back to the One who has given us everything and has poured it all out. Unfortunately, while this desire to serve God never truly went away, it did become buried at one point.

A few years after high school my faith started to take a bit of dive. I had gone to solid Catholic Schools my whole life but that was no longer the case, so without that strong support system in place and with a lack of authentic community in my life, I began to slip and then to fall, and I kept falling. Late one night I heard the Lord speak to me, and all He said was simply my own name, "Avery". That was all I heard Him say, but that was all that I needed to hear Him say. Our names carry a lot of weight. In a certain sense, a name is an identity, so when I heard God speak my name, it rocked me to my very core. In that moment my eyes were opened to how I had been living, and I began to weep with regret for how I had been treating God and how I had hurt our relationship. I immediately turned back to the Lord and ran back into His arms.

Shortly after the Lord brought me back, I began to meditate on the passage from Scripture about rendering to God what is God's. This led me to ask the question: "How much more of myself can I give over to the Lord? How can I render myself wholly and entirely to Him?" and the answer to these questions came clearly, that it would be through service. I began to help at the Food Pantry anytime that I was able. Then I was asked to help start the Campus Ministry program here, which I was involved in for a few years. Eventually, I felt called to step away from that, and while I was trying to figure out where to go next, Mariano asked me if I would be up for running the Food Pantry. This was something that I never saw myself doing, but now I am thrilled to be able to. The chance to show the Lord's love to those in the community and to be an extension of Christ's heart in such a way is a beautiful gift.

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# SJBeat

## IS ON PAUSE FOR THE SUMMER

The SJBeat will be taking a break in July and August, with events resuming in September.

In the meantime, we encourage you to stay connected—to one another and to the Lord—through prayer, community, and the many opportunities for grace this summer brings.

Enjoy the season, and we look forward to seeing you in the fall!

**MEN'S BREAKFAST,**
**WOMEN'S BREAKFAST,**
**WORSHIP NIGHT,**
**BIBLE STUDIES,**
**& HOLY BREWS**
WILL RESUME
IN SEPTEMBER.

**OUR MONTHLY ALL-NIGHT ADORATION WILL CONTINUE.**

**ALL-NIGHT ADORATION**
FRIDAY, August 1st, 1pm through
SATURDAY, August 2nd, 7:45am
in the Adoration Chapel

**Scan here to sign up for All-Night Adoration in August!**

# This Week!

## WE'RE EXCITED TO BEGIN OFFERING WEEKLY ADORATION ON FRIDAYS STARTING JULY 18TH!

Thank you to all who have comitted to spending an hour with Jesus so we can open the chapel to others. As of this writing, we only have the bare minimum of adorers to move forward. We'd love to have three comitted adorers for each hour, from 1PM to 5PM.

If the Lord is stirring a desire for more of Him in your heart, please call the office, 734-483-3360, or email Sr. Mary at SrMary@YpsiCatholic.org.

## JOIN THE SJB TEAM!

We are currently seeking to fill two positions:

— PART TIME COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR

— FULL TIME BUSINESS MANAGER

Serve the Church, grow in faith, and have a great time doing it! Visit our website for more information.

# CAMPUS MINISTRY A GROWING SEASON

We are in full summer mode here at SJB Campus Ministry! We have had a Men's and Women's Night, Disciple's Night, all kinds of going away and welcome celebrations, and we can't forget to mention our small groups, where students dive deeper into forming a relationship with Jesus. Please pray for us this summer as we begin planning our outreach for the Fall! God bless!

*Welcome*

## SCOTT WELLS
## TO CAMPUS MINISTRY!

When I was in middle school, I reached a breaking point. I was bullied, depressed, and felt like no one wanted me. I had the thought, "I don't want to be here anymore" and within seconds, I heard within the depths of my soul: "Don't do it son. I love you." Growing up having never known my father, the fact that the voice I heard was male and fatherly led me to one conclusion: "That was Jesus". This conclusion led me on a journey of learning who Jesus really was and who it was that had saved me. Eventually, in 8th grade, after lots of research and prayer, I knew that I had been very lucky to have a mom that raised me Catholic, because the Catholic Church possesses, for a fact, the fullness of the truth.

Now, years later, the Lord continues to reveal more of his love for me and continues to fill my cup to overflowing so that from the superabundance of His love, I may pour out His love to those around me. My desire to evangelize turned into a call to mission work. Jesus has given me a heart for his people, and I can't help but act on it. I believe that college is where people tend to make the biggest decisions like: "What do I believe in?", "Who am I?", "What is my purpose?". Soon I will begin working as a missionary for Campus Ministry. Our job is to facilitate an encounter with Jesus for the students, whether it's through disciples' nights, men's and women's nights, or even on campus during the school day. I am overjoyed to take on a role as a missionary and I ask for all your prayers and support. Thank you.

## THE SERVANTS OF GOD'S LOVE CELEBRATE 50 YEARS

Please join us for Holy Mass and a reception as we celebrate the Lord's faithfulness over the last fifty years! The Most Reverend Earl Boyea of Lansing will preside. Reception immediately following.

If you are unable to join us in person, scan the QR code to livestream.

**FRIDAY, JULY 25, 5:30PM**
**CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH, ANN ARBOR**

## OUR "WHAT THE CHURCH TEACHES" SERIES CONTINUES!

Upcoming summer sessions include:

JULY 14TH, 21ST - Science and the Church

Aug 4TH, 11TH, 18TH - Church History

**MONDAYS AT 6:30PM**
**DOWNSTAIRS IN THE PLC**

## MIDWEST JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE

Are you longing for a deep and transformative encounter with the Holy Spirit and Mother Mary during this Year of Jubilee? Embark on a domestic spiritual journey to Wisconsin to visit Our Lady of Champion—the only Church-approved Marian apparition site in the United States—on the anniversary of her apparition!

This 5-day pilgrimage also includes visits to other sacred sites, offering an unforgettable experience of prayer, community, and spiritual renewal. Come seek grace, deepen your devotion, and be inspired.

**OCTOBER 8-12, 2025**
Scan the QR code or contact Corporate Travel for more information or to register.
(866) 550-1081 TRIP ID: 87380 GROUP ID: 17936

# Summer Youth Events

## CALLING ALL YOUTH IN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL!

This summer, Christ the King and St. John The Baptist will join together for ***Wildfire and Fuel*** nights that will be held at CTK, once a month instead of twice a month. Join us for social time, faith formation and praise and worship!

JULY 20TH, AUG 17TH
7:15-9:30PM
CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH BARN, ANN ARBOR

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## DAUGHTERS OF THE KING EVENT

BE LOVE REVOLUTION invites all 1st-5th grade girls to join us for a night of faith, fellowship, and fun! We ask parents to entrust their daughter(s) to our loving care for the evening. Doors will open at 6:00 PM when check-in begins. Cost is $5. Scan the QR code to register. For more information and other events visit BeLoveRevolution.com.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 6:30-8:00PM
CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH BARN, ANN ARBOR

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## SACRED CHORAL EXCELLENCE FOR GOD'S GLORY

Youth choirs for grades 4–12 will sing the liturgy at several local parish Masses and perform sacred choral music, including motets, hymns, and chants, at Catholic concert events and the Pueri Cantores Festival. Additional singing opportunities will be available throughout the choir season.

MONDAYS, SEPTEMBER THROUGH MAY
ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH, ANN ARBOR:
*4:20-5:20 pm: Jubilate - ensemble for grades 4-8*
*5:30-6:50 pm: Cantica Caeli - ensemble for grades 7-12*

For more information and to sign up for an ensemble placement hearing, scan the QR code.

# SACRAMENTS

MATRIMONY
Couples should contact the parish office to inquire about Marriage Formation as soon as they are engaged.

BAPTISM
Parents are required to attend a preparation session and must be registered parishioners for at least three months. Pre-registration is required. Please call the parish office for more information.

LAY MINISTER INFORMATION
If you are interested in serving as a Liturgical Minister or wish to update your schedule preferences, please submit your request by email to schedule@ypsicatholic.org.

REQUESTING MASS INTENTIONS
Call or visit the parish office to ask for a special day. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. The stipend for a Mass intention is $10. Mass cards are also available.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK
Please call the parish office for more information.

FUNERALS
Please call the parish office for more information.

OFFICE PHONE
734-483-3360

# JOIN US IN PRAYING FOR..

Katie (O'Toole) Davis
Kris Kapcia
Ann Marie Rusiniak
Kailyn Fitzgerald
Dorothy Chan
Philip Philipose
Shibu Philipose
Gemma Almendras
Jake Meyer
Dennis Zielinski
Pfc. Carter Hornbeck

Please call the office if you would like to add a name to the list of intercessions for healing and for men and women in the armed forces. Names will be removed after four weeks unless we receive a request to continue.

Remember also that our Book of Petitions is located in The Gathering Space. These intercessions are prayed for at every Mass.

# MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JULY 14
12:15 PM: † Lennon Leitzinger
Requested by Carrie Ross

TUESDAY, JULY 15
6 PM: † Roger Holtz
Requested by Renewal Ministries

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16
8 AM: Intentions of Fr. Dan Westermann
Requested by SJB Parishioners

THURSDAY, JULY 17
8 AM: † Mary Lou & Gene Schutz
Requested by Jane Bonanni

FRIDAY, JULY 18
12:15 PM: Increase in Vocations

SATURDAY, JULY 19
8 AM:

5 PM: Julie Renterghem Roos
Requested by Natalie Klackle

SUNDAY, JULY 20
9 AM: † Doris Scerbak
Requested by Sue Stolarski

11 AM: People of the Parish

## NEEDED, WANTED, & AVAILABLE

Seeking a mature mother's helper for twin toddlers, long-term on weekdays. Pay commensurate with experience. Text Erin at 734-686-7881.

*Please email bulletin@ypsicatholic.org to submit requests for the Needed, Wanted, Available section. Space is limited. These postings are for the convenience of our parishioners. Their presence does not imply endorsement.*

# St. Kateri Tekakwitha

In 1656, Kateri Tekakwitha, the first canonized Native American saint, was born in a Mohawk village called Ossernenon, near present-day Auriesville, New York. Tekakwitha was her Mohawk name, which meant, “she who bumps into things”. Her mother was a Christian from the Algonquin tribe who was forced to marry a Mohawk after her village had been raided by them.

When Tekakwitha was four, a smallpox outbreak occurred in their village. The disease took the life of both her parents and her baby brother. Tekakwitha survived but her face remained scarred and her vision impaired. She was adopted by her aunt and uncle.

In 1667, three Jesuit missionary priests visited her tribe. She listened intently to what the priests preached. Her heart was opened, and she began to believe in Jesus. She embraced the faith, although her aunt & uncle were not in favor. They attempted to arrange a marriage so she would stay bound to their tribe’s traditions, but Tekakwitha refused, as she had already consecrated herself to God. When she was eighteen, she met a Jesuit priest named Fr. Jacques de Lamberville and she asked to be baptized. After a year of studying as a catechumen, she was baptized with the Mohawk name of Kateri, translated “Catherine”.

In a village full of those who opposed Christianity, Kateri remained faithful. Since she refused to work on Sundays, she was not allowed to eat. She was treated as a slave by her own people.

Kateri was in danger living with her tribe, so she fled on foot— a 200-mile journey to a Native Christian village south of Montreal, Canada. There she met an Iroquois woman who helped her grow in holiness, teaching her how to pray and care for those in need. She would often go out into the woods to pray for prolonged periods of time, practice strenuous forms of penance, and intercede for her people that the Lord would have mercy on them and bring them to conversion.

At twenty-three, Kateri officially consecrated her virginity to God, taking Jesus as her divine husband. With that came a desire to enter religious life but she was rejected due to her lack of formation and newness to the faith. That same year, 1680, Kateri’s health began to decline, and she died during Holy Week at age twenty-four. Upon her death, it is said that her face became radiant and all the scars on her body vanished.

Kateri was given the name “Lily of the Mohawks” for her life of purity. Her feast day is celebrated on July 14th, and she is the patron saint of ecology, the environment, and Indigenous people.

## GIVE ONLINE

ypsicatholic.org/give

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## LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE
## JULY 19TH & JULY 20TH

| SATURDAY 5:00 PM | SUNDAY 9:00AM | SUNDAY 11:00AM |
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| **USHERS** | | |
| Jeff Decker<br>**Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer** | Carolyn Bradley<br>Stephen Bradley<br>Christine Sullivan<br>**Need Volunteer** | Steve Uram<br>Aimee Uram-Taylor<br>Carol Wack<br>**Need Volunteer** |
| **GREETERS** | | |
| **Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer** | **Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer** | Shelly Czupinski<br>Marcy Muczynski |
| **LECTORS** | | |
| Tom Moffit<br>Mike Weathers | Kathy Badgerow<br>Sarah Scholl | Melissa Florian<br>Joe McKeone |
| **SACRISTAN** | | |
| ADULT:<br>Liz Richards<br>JUNIOR:<br>**Need Volunteer** | ADULT:<br>Maralee Meyer<br>JUNIOR:<br>**Need Volunteer** | ADULT:<br>Judy Ramirez<br>JUNIOR:<br>**Need Volunteer** |
| **ALTAR SERVERS** | | |
| **Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer** | Lawrence Okpala<br>**Need Volunteer**<br>**Need Volunteer** | Alex Uram<br>Scott Wells<br>**Need Volunteer** |

***We are always in need of Ushers, Greeters, Junior Sacristans, and Altar Servers.***

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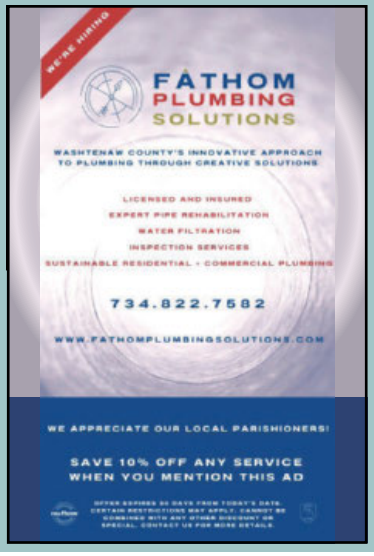


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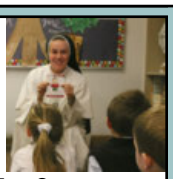
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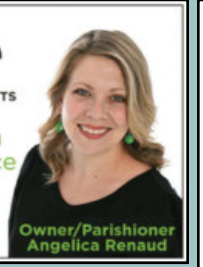
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